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Applicant:

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10/729,427

Group:

1614

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For:

INHIBITION OF INFLAMMATION USING ALPHA 7 RECEPTOR-BINDING
CHOLINERGIC AGONISTS

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment for filing in the above-identified application.

- [] Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a Small Entity Statement previously submitted.
- [] A Small Entity Statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

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* not fewer than 20

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SMALL ENTITY

| RATE | ADDIT. FEE |
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| X \$ 25 | \$ |
| X \$100 | \$ |
| + \$180 | \$ |

TOTAL= \$ 0

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| X \$50 | \$ 0 |
| X \$200 | \$ 0 |
| + \$360 | \$ 0 |

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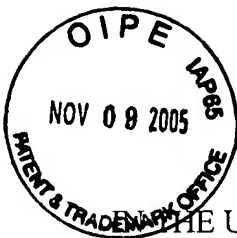
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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

This Amendment is being filed in response to the Office Action mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on June 8, 2005 in the above-identified application. Reconsideration and further examination are requested.

An extension of time to respond to the Office Action is respectfully requested. A Petition for Extension of Time and the appropriate fee are being filed concurrently with this Amendment.

Please amend the application as follows: